

would be very convincing evidence that the riot had a negative effect on the city's black residents.

Summary of Directories						
<i>Table 2. This table presents tabulation of population, occupation, and business ownership changes for Wilmington, North Carolina</i>						
	1897			1900		
	Total	Black	White	Total	Black	White
Summary Statistics <i>Directory Entries</i>	7,663	3,786	3,875	8,381	3,656	4,720
Occupation Listed	6,894	3,498	3,396	6,374	2,562	3,812
Business Owners	1005	216	789	933	162	771
Source: The entire city directory for the city Wilmington, North Carolina in 1897 and 1900.						

Indeed, analysis of the complete directory provides evidence suggesting that blacks were negatively affected after the riot. The black population declined while the white population increased. In addition, the complete directory provides evidence that suggests that the number of blacks employed declined significantly after the riot.

Table 1 demonstrates changes in entrepreneurship/business ownership in years after the riot. A business owner/entrepreneur is defined as someone who listed a business address in the business and/or individual section of the directory. For example, in 1897 Emma Jones operated a cook-shop at 1120 N. Fourth and lived at 1205 N. Fourth. Only her business address is included in this study. However, some other businesses, such as grocers, are more difficult to track—some operated their stores at their home address. Therefore, individuals that list the same address for both their home and business are also included in this study as business owners.